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GOVERNMENT OF ORISSA

HOUSING & URBAN DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT

RESOLUTION

The 30th June 2005

SUBJECT —Revision of Water Tariff for Domestic, Industrial, Commercial and Institutional Consumers and of Sewerage maintenance charges in Urban areas.

Ref.— Government in Housing & Urban Development Department Resolution No. 38409/HUD., dated the 1st December 1980, No. 4229-HUD., dated the 3rd February 1981, Corrigendum No. 14117-HUD., dated the 6th March 1982, Resolution No. 43023-HUD., dated the 8th December 1988, Resolution No. 26708-HUD., dated the 16th August 1996 and Corrigendum No. 28173-HUD., dated the 28th August 1996.

The question of revision of tariff on drinking water as provided in the Orissa Water Works (Urban Local Bodies) Rules, 1980 and in amendment subsequent thereto was under consideration of Government sometime past. The State Government after careful consideration do hereby make following further amendment to the said Rules and order that the same may be given effect from the date of publication of this Resolution in *Orissa Gazette* :—

1. (i) The sub-items (b) & (c) of existing Rule 8 shall be substituted as under :—

(b) Institutional .. Rs. 5,000 per connection

(c) Industrial/Commercial .. Rs. 6,000 per connection

(ii) In Rule 8, the following sub-items shall be inserted :—

(d) Public stand post .. Rs. 3,000 per each new stand post connection.

(e) Private Apartment, Buildings (on meter basis only) :

- (i) Having up to 25 flats/households . . Rs. 10,000 per each connection
- (ii) From 26 to 50 flats/households . . Rs. 20,000 per each connection
- (iii) More than 50 flats/households . . Rs. 30,000 per each connection
- (f) Temporary water supply connection . . Rs. 500 per each connection
for non-residential purpose
(only metered)

2. (I) The sub-items (b) & (c) of Rule 8(a) shall be substituted as under :—

- (b) Institutional . . Rs. 2,500 per connection
- (c) Industrial/Commercial . . Rs. 3,500 per connection

(II) In Rule 8 (a), the following sub-items shall be inserted :—

(d) Private Apartment Buildings

- (i) Having up to 25 flats/households . . Rs. 5,000 per each connection
- (ii) From 26 to 50 flats/households . . Rs. 10,000 per each connection
- (iii) More than 50 flats/households . . Rs. 15,000 per each connection.

(e) Sewerage tariff at the following rates for different categories of consumers shall be collected per connection in every month :—

- (i) Institutional . . Rs. 100 up to 4 water closets &
. . Rs. 200 for more than 4 water closets
- (ii) Private Apartments/Commercial/Industrial (only domestic sewerage)
 - (a) 4" minimum size sewer . . Rs. 200
 - (b) 6" minimum size sewer . . Rs. 500
 - (c) 8" minimum size sewer . . Rs. 800
- (f) As per Rule 43, fees for "No Objection Certificate" for establishing own water supply system by Private Apartments. . . Rs. 2,000 in each case
- (g) As per Rule 44, fees for "No Objection Certificate" for establishing own seweragesystem by Private Apartments. . . Rs. 2,000 in each case

3. The existing Rule 20 shall be substituted as under :

Water consumption charges shall be levied for non-domestic use according to the following rates :—

- (1) Water rate for use of piped water in public institutions such as Central and State Government Offices, Schools, Colleges, Hospitals, Buildings owned by Corporations, Boards, Local Bodies or Universities not used for commercial or industrial purposes will be charged at the rate of Rs. 8.00 per 1,000 litres. Government retain the right to fix the water rate in such cases concessionally, if there be any satisfying special reasons to be recorded.

- (2) Water rate for commercial purposes such as shops of all types Hotels, Restaurants, Tea Stalls, Guesthouse, Pantha Nivas, Railway Station, Diary Farms, Dhobi Ghats, etc. will be charges at the rate of Rs. 8.00 per 1,000 liters.
- (3) Water rate for use of piped water for Industrial purpose in all types of small, medium and large scale industries either owned by Government or Corporations or private parties will be charged at the rate of Rs. 8.00 per 1,000 liters.
- (4) Water rate for use of piped water through public stand post will be charged at the rate of Rs. 100 per stand post per month (to be paid by the concerned Urban Local Bodies).

4. The existing Rule 21 shall be substituted as under :

TEMPORARY WATER SUPPLY :—

- (a) Water rate for temporary water supply for construction of houses for residential purposes will be charges at Rs. 100 per tap per month.
- (b) Water rate for temporary water supply for construction of buildings by the contractors will be chrages on the basis of consumption of water at the rate of Rs. 15.00 per 1,000 liters.
- (c) Water rate for temporary water supply for non-residential purpose will be charged on the basis of consumption of water at the rate of Rs. 8.00 per 1,000 liters.

5. The existing Rule 24 shall be substituted as under :—

Rebate of 2 % of the monthly billed amount will be allowed if the payment is made within 15th of succeeding month. It shall be the responsibility of the consumers to collect the water bill if not received by him within 10th of each succeeding month.

6. After Rule 25, a new item for penalty on delayed payment shall be inserted as under :—

Rule 25A—Penalty at the rate of 5% of the total monthly billed amount will be charged for delayed payment beyond the stipulated period.

7. In Rule 27, the following shall be added :—

The reconnection of water supply will be done within a period not exceeding 7 days provided the arrears, penalty as admissible and reconnection fees are paid.

8. A new Rule of power to inspect households for water supply shall be inserted as under :—

Rule 42—The Executive Engineer, P.H.E.D. in charge of the Operation and Maintenance of water distribution system or his authorised representative shall have powers to inspect any household during day time to ascertain about unauthorised water supply connection from P.H.E.D. pipe line and also to ascertain if any pump is used to illegally draw water from the P.H.E.D. pipe line.

In case, any unauthorised connection/illegal tapping from the P.H.E.D. pipe line is detected, the same shall be disconnected forthwith or shall be regularised as per provisions of the Orissa Water Works (Urban Local Bodies) Rules, 1980 as the case may be.

In case of regular consumers, if any pumping device for drawing water illegally is detected, such illegal action shall be strictly dealt with as per rule including disconnection of the service connection.

9. A new Rule on licence fee and cess for tapping ground water by private parties shall be inserted as under :—

Rule 43—Private Apartments/Builders located within the Urban Local Bodies having facility for piped water supply are bound to take water from the Public Water Supply System subject to technical feasibility.

In case of non-availability of water from the Public Water Supply System and in areas having no piped water supply system, the Private apartments shall have to obtain “No Objection Certificate” from P.H.E.D. for establishing their own water supply system on payment of prescribed fee as per Water Works Rule 8(a) sub-item (f) and apply to appropriate authority for grant of license for tapping ground water. In addition, they have to pay for cess as fixed by appropriate authority for using ground water.

10. A new Rule on sewerage connection to apartment/buildings shall be inserted as under :—

Rule 44—Private Apartments located within the Urban Local Bodies having facility for sewerage system are bound to take sewerage connection from public sewerage maintained by P.H.E.D. subject to technical feasibility.

In case where sewerage connection to public sewer is technically not feasible and in areas having no public sewerage system, the Private Apartments shall have to obtain “No Objection Certificate” from P.H.E.D. for establishing their own sewerage system on payment of prescribed fee as per Water Works Rule 8(a) sub-item (g).

The time shcedule for getting new sewerage connection shall not exceed 30 days time from the date of receipt of the application with required documents by the Department. In case new sewerage connection can not be given, the same with reason will be intimated to the applicant within a period of 15 days from the date of receipt of application.

11. A new Rule on unauthorized sewerage connection shall be inserted as under :—

Rule 45—Penalty for unauthorised sewerage connection—unauthorized sewerage connection will be regularised observing all formalities in the following manner :—

- (i) Sewerage tariff calculated for the period commencing from the date of approval of the building or 3 years whichever is earlier plus connection charges as applicable.
- (ii) No building premises (domestic/institutional/commercial/industrial/apartments) shall have more than one connection to the manhole. In case of more than one connection, the same will be disconnected with one month notice.

12. A new Rule on reconnection fee for sewerage connection shall be inserted as under :—

Rule 46—Sewerage connection cut off due to non-payment of dues will be reconnected only after payment of arrear dues and 10% of the connection charges as applicable. The reconnection of sewerage connection shall be done within a period not exceeding 7 days provided the arrears, penalty and reconnection fee are paid as per rule.

13. A new Rule on signing of agreement by the consumer shall be inserted as under :—

Rule 47—While granting water supply connection, every consumer shall have to execute an agreement containing water works rules with all its latest amendments and relevant documents with the Executive Engineer concerned to avoid any litigation in future. In case of all existing connections, the same practice will be invariably followed.

14. The existing Rule 15, Note V shall be substituted by a new rule on automatic increase of water tariff as under :—

Rule 48—There shall be automatic increase of water tariff for all categories of consumer at the rate of 5% each year.

ORDER—Ordered that this Resolution be published in the *Orissa Gazette* and copies of the same forwarded to all Departments of Government/all Heads of Department/Accountant General, Orissa/Deputy Accountant-General, Orissa/ all Revenue Divisional Commissioners/ Chief Engineer, Public Health (Urban), Orissa, Bhubaneswar/Chief Engineer, Rural Water Supply and Sanitation, Orissa/all District Magistrates/Director, Municipal Administration and *Ex-Officio* Additional Secretary to Government, Housing & Urban Development Department/ all Superintending Engineers, Public Health/all Superintending Engineers, Rural Water Supply and Sanitation/all Executive Engineers, Public Health Divisions/all Executive Engineers of Rural Water Supply and Sanitation Divisions/ all Executive Officers of Municipal Corporations, Municipalities and Notified Area Councils/Estate Officer, General Administration Department/ Rent Officer, General Administration (Rent) Department/Valuation Officer, Housing & Urban Development Department.

By order of the Governor

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